

JOHN NEAL—CHILDREN OF.

[To accompany bill H. R. No. 792.]

JANUARY 30, 1857.

Mr. BROOM, from the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions, made the following

REPORT.

*The Committee on Revolutionary Pensions, to whom was referred the petition of A. G. Neal, son of John Neal, deceased, ask leave to report:*

That it appears from the declaration of A. G. Neal, based upon the oft-repeated statements of his father in his lifetime, and from the affidavit of Elizabeth Easter, a sister of the soldier, that John Neal was a revolutionary soldier; and by the affidavits of two other witnesses, who had known him for forty years, that he was always looked upon as, and believed to have been, a revolutionary soldier.

The petitioner states that his father often, in his lifetime, spoke of his right to a pension, and said that the records of South Carolina would furnish proof of his service. The indents furnished by the comptroller of South Carolina show a large amount of service in the name of John Neal, although the name is spelt sometimes Neil, at others Neal.

The petitioner states that himself, Jessee Neal, and Elizabeth Neal, are the only surviving children of the said John Neal, deceased, late of Mississippi.

Your committee are of opinion that this is a meritorious claim, and report a bill accordingly.

